



Lavant

C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the Easter break and look forward to more sunny days and warmer months ahead, we are reminded of new beginnings and fresh possibilities. It is always wonderful to see the energy and enthusiasm for learning new things our children demonstrate on a daily basis and, as ever, the last few weeks have been full of fun and exciting learning opportunities. Our children have represented the school with enthusiasm and pride at events such as Dance House, Future Flyers, and the Chichester Road Races, demonstrating both teamwork and resilience. We have also continued to strengthen our links with the Bishop Luffa Learning Partnership, providing valuable joint learning opportunities that enrich the educational experience for all involved. In school, our children have continued to demonstrate a strong commitment to their learning, and it has been a pleasure to see their confidence and curiosity grow across all areas of school life.

Easter Prayer room

This week our children have enjoyed the peace and tranquillity of our prayer space. Children have had the opportunity to visit the prayer room throughout the day and kind volunteers from Lavant Church have been available to chat to children and assist them in a range of reflective / prayer activities over the lunchtime break. A huge thank you to Karen Crossley, Frances Talbot, Reverend Laura and team.



Easter Service



Please remember you are all warmly invited to our Easter Service, tomorrow at 1:30pm at St Nicholas Church. The service is expected to last approximately 1 hour and parents attending the service are welcome to collect their children from school straight after the service.



Attendance

Congratulations to Pheasant Class who have the highest attendance of the year at 97.6%. This is really followed closely by Robin Class with a collective attendance of 97.5%. We are hoping to say goodbye to the colds and coughs as the warmer weather approaches and hope to improve our overall school attendance which dipped this term compared to our excellent attendance in the Autumn term.

Staffing Update

Earlier this half term, Mrs Rachel Seaman, who had been working with us since November sadly had to step down from her role due to family matters. We are hoping however that Mrs Seaman will continue to visit regularly on a cover basis. At the start of the summer term, we are delighted to be welcoming Mrs Laura Collyer, a member of our parent community and an experienced Higher Level Teaching Assistant who will be supporting children's learning across the school on a Thursday and Friday each week.

Bullying

We are proud that there are very few cases of bullying at our school, and we work hard to keep it that way. We teach children that bullying means someone hurting another person *Several Times On Purpose*—using unkind words, actions, or behaviours that make someone feel upset or unsafe. Even though bullying is rare here, we want every child to know what it looks like, how to speak up, and how to get help. By understanding the STOP message—*Several Times On Purpose*—our pupils learn to recognise when behaviour crosses the line and to tell a trusted adult straight away. If bullying is suspected, this is something we take very seriously. All children involved are spoken to and full accounts of any accusations are listened to and acted upon. If the situation is considered to be of a bullying nature, parents of all children involved are contacted and we work together to find a swift resolution to the problem. All staff are made aware of ongoing concerns and are vigilant in monitoring relationships in class and on the play ground. Together, we continue to build a school where everyone feels safe, valued, and supported.

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Nuts



Please remember we are a nut free school and do have children with nut allergies in school. Children must not have nuts or nut based products in their lunchboxes. This includes Nutella Chocolate Spread.

Summer Termly Curriculum Overview letters.

During the first week of the summer term, look out for your child's curriculum overview letter that teachers will be sending home. If you wish to speak to your child's teacher at any time, please remember that we have an open-door policy and parents are welcome to drop in any day after school if you wish to chat to your child's teacher or to have a look at some learning that your child is particularly proud of. Please try not to speak at length to teachers in the morning as they are needed in class.

Summer Term Clubs – I will send out a letter regarding summer term clubs in the very first week of term. Clubs will commence in the week starting 20th April. If you need any additional child care, please remember that Activ8 runs daily from 3:15 – 6pm. For more information, please see our school website: 'Our School - After School - Care Provision'.

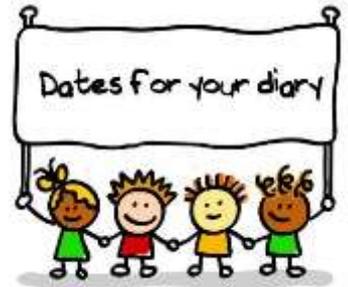


School Dates

Easter Holidays Monday 30th March - Friday 10th April
Start of Summer Term Monday 13th April
25th – 29th May Half term
15th June School Closed for INSET training
Last day of summer term Wednesday 22nd July
Please see the final page for 2026/2027 term dates

Other Key dates for your diary

Sunday 19 th April	Village Duck Race
11 th – 14 th May	Year 6 National Curriculum Test Week
18 th – 22 nd May	Years 2 - 5 assessment week
Monday 8 th June	Class photos
1 st – 12 th June	Year 4 multiplication check window
8 th – 12 th June	Year 1 phonics check week
Thursday 18 th June	School Sports Day
Saturday 20 th June	Lavant Village Fete
Monday 22 nd June	Year 6 Leavers Service at the Cathedral
Tuesday 14 th July	Production dress rehearsal
Wednesday 15 th July	Production matinee performance
Thursday 16 th July	Production evening performance and Summer Social
Wednesday 22 nd July	Year 6 Leavers service at school (9am) Children break up for summer holidays



On behalf of all the staff, I thank you all for your continued support this term.

Wishing you all a fun and relaxing Easter break

Adrian King

If you have any ideas or additional suggestions for our school, please feel free to complete the slip below and return to the school office at your convenience

Name:
Comment:



TERM DATES 2026 – 2027

AUTUMN TERM	
School Closure Day	Tuesday 1 st September
Inset Day	Wednesday 2 nd September
Starts	Thursday 3 rd September
Half Term	Monday 26 th October – Friday 30 th October
Inset Day	Monday 2 nd November
Ends	Friday 18 th December
SPRING TERM	
Inset Day	Monday 4 th January
Starts	Tuesday 5 th January
Inset Day	Friday 5 th February
Half Term	Monday 15 th February – Friday 19 th February
Ends	Thursday 25 th March
SUMMER TERM	
Starts	Monday 12 th April
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May
Half Term	Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June
Ends	Tuesday 20 th July
Inset Day	Wednesday 21 st July